

# TAKU

## CASUAL FINE DINING BY MIRKO GAUL

Mirko Gaul inspires the international gourmet scene – and of course guests of the Excelsior Hotel Ernst from Cologne and around the world – at taku. The Cologne-born chef has won a Michelin star every year since 2012. The restaurant is currently rated 8 out of 10 in the Gusto guide and 16 out of 20 by Gault & Millau. At taku, exquisite fine dining and love of innovation come together to create exciting compositions.

The chef takes his inspiration from Asia – then employs a range of techniques from Western cuisine. What ends up on the plate is often surprising. Mirko and his team use exceptional ingredients and love to perform tricks with shape, colour, texture and temperature. Originally simple recipes from Japan, China, Thailand, Vietnam, Indonesia and Malaysia are deconstructed and then reinterpreted in Gaul's fusion cuisine. The result is relaxed perfection.

The restaurant interior has a modern, purist Japanese design that puts guests in the mood for their taste journey to East Asia. Restaurant manager Daniel Malskorn finds the right wine for each dish from the Excelsior Hotel Ernst wine cellar, which has been in existence since 1910.

taku can be booked exclusively for private and business events. At the regular "taku & friends" kitchen parties, taku transforms itself into \*the\* party location. At these events, celebrity chefs support Mirko Gaul's team, and guests can enjoy special creations at each cooking station. Every summer, taku moves to the roof terrace of the Design Office Köln Dominium for two exclusive weeks of rooftop pop-up events.

Opening times: Tuesdays to Saturdays, 06:30-09:30pm



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